(b) whether there is any prescribed ceiling in respect of fees payable to the solicitor companies;

(c) what amount of fees has been paid in the recent court cases on the L and T takeover under different heads to the solicitors, M/s. Amarchand and Mangaldas and Hiralal Shroff and company;

(d) whether this amount has been paid only by LIC or it has been shared by other public financial institutions also; and

(e) what amount has been paid by each institution to the solicitor company if the total amount of fees has been shared by different public financial institutions?

THE DEPUTY MINISTER IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI ANIL SHASTRI): (a) Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI) has reported that the Advocates/Solicitors are appointed keeping in view their standing, nature of the case and the stakes involved.

(b) There is no prescribed ceiling in respect of fees payable to the Solicitors|Advocates.

(c) to (e) Since some of the petitions/appeals are still pending before the Supreme Court, final bills for payment are yet to be settled. It is reported that the fees are to be shared equally by the Financial Institutions viz. Life Insurance Corporation of India (LIC), General Insurance Corporation of India (GIC), Unit Trust of India (UTI), Industrial Finance Corporation of India (IFCI) and Industrial Development Bank of India (IDBI). The amounts paid as on 31-3-1990 as on-account payment by various Financial Institutions was as follows:

Name of the Financial Institutions	Amount Paid (In Rs.)
IDBI	20,00,000
UTI	23,90,000
LIC	5,00,000
GIC	10,65,000

Synthetic blended fabrics produced under the schemes 'Sulabh' 'Sushman' 'Saubhagya'

1011. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) what quantity of synthetic/synthetic blended fabrics was produced in 1989-90 through the schemes like 'Sulabh' 'Sushman' and Saubhagya', etc. to make available cheaper synthetic/synthetic blended fabrics to the common man;

(b) whether it is a fact that not even a single metre of fabrics has been produced under the 'Sushman' and 'Saubhagya' although these schemes were introduced by Government more than two years back; and

(c) if the answer to part (b) above be in the negative, what quantity was exactly produced by the handloom sector under these schemes?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PRCESSSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) During the year 1989-90, NTC Mills produced 16.75 lakh metres of 'Sulabh' fabrics and 0.13 lakh metres of cloth under the 'Saubhagya' scheme. However, there was no production of 'Sushman' cloth by the Handloom Sector during 1989-90.

(b) and (c) No, Sir. During the period 1987-88 to 1989-90, the NTC Mills produced 0.78 lakhs metres of cloth under the 'Saubhagya' scheme approved by the Government in November, 1987. The Handloom Sector produced about 62,000 metres of

blended cloth under the 'Sushman' scheme during the period October 1987 to March, 1989.

Increase in prices of man-made filament yarns

1012. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA: Will the Minister of TEXTILES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the prices of various man-made filament yarns have increased over the last one year;

(b) if so, what are the comparable denierwise selling prices of VFY, PFY and NFY, monthwise for the years 1988, 1989 and 1990 (January-March); and

(c) what measures Government are taking to maintain the prices of these items at a reasonable level?

THE MINISTER OF TEXTILES WITH ADDITIONAL CHARGE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SHARAD YADAV): (a) Between April, 1989 to April, 1990 prices of man-made filament yarns have increased as under:—

Item	April, 1989	(Rs./Kg.) (Weighted average prices) April, 1990
Viscose Filament Yarn	107.66	127.69
Nylon Filament Yarn	176.82	253.99
Polyester Filament Yarn (76 D)	184.00	190.00
Partially Oriented Yarn (average)	146.63	154.17
Texturised Yarn (average)	159.26	173.48

(b) Details of comparable monthwise and denier-wise selling prices of Viscose Filament Yarn, Nylon Filament Yarn and Polyester Filament Yarn for 1988, 1989 and 1990 (January-March) are given in Annexure attached. [*See* Appendix CLIV, Annexure No. 48.]

(c) In the Budget for 1990-91, Government have reduced import duties on Nylon Filament Yarn and Polyester Filament Yarn to check the domestic prices of such yarns. In addition to this, Government have been constantly reviewing and monitoring the prices of these yarns and have periodically convened meetings between Spinners and Weavers with a view to ensure reasonable prices of these yarns.

Appeal against the disallowance of losses shown by Chairman, Indian Express Group of newspapers

1013. DR. RATNAKAR PANDEY: SHRI SURESH PACHOURI:

Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1012 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 2nd March, 1989 and state:

(a) whether the appeal against the disallowance of certain losses shown by the Chairman, Indian Express Group of newspapers has been admitted;

(b) if so, what is the outcome of the appeal;

(c) whether the Chairman has paid the necessary taxes on losses disalowed or he has given any bank guarantee for such a payment; and